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SUBJECT: SOBOLEWSKI, GEORGE

FOR EUR/EE-CARROLL BROWN FROM AMBASSADOR

1. HALINA SOBOLEWSKI INFORMS ME OF THE DEATH ON JUNE 22 IN HEMPSTEAD, LONG ISLAND, N.Y., OF HER HUSBAND, GEORGE, WHO WAS A VALUED LOCAL EMPLOYEE OF THE EMBASSY FROM 1947 TO 1960, AT WHICH TIME HE EMIGRATED TO THE U.S., SUBSEQUENTLY BECOMING A U.S. CITIZEN. MRS. SOBOLEWSKI WISHES TO BRING GEORGE'S ASHES BACK TO POLAND FOR BURIAL AND HAS ASKED WHAT PROCEDURE SHOULD BE FOLLOWED. I SHOULD PERSONALLY BE GRATEFUL IF YOU COULD TELEPHONE HER (THE NUMBER IS AC 516-538-6485; THE ADDRESS IS 100 WASHINGTON STREET IN HEMPSTEAD), GIVE HER THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION, AND FOLLOW THROUGH AS INDICATED.

2. THE FUNERAL HOME HANDLING THE CREMATION SHOULD TELEPHONE THE POLISH CONSULATE IN NEW YORK AND PROVIDE THEM WITH THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ON THE DECEASED: COMPLETE NAME, DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH, DATE AND PLACE OF DEATH, NAME AND ADDRESS OF FUNERAL HOME OR OTHER PERSON OR AGENCY IN THE U.S. WHICH WILL MAKE THE SHIPMENT OF THE ASHES, AND NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON IN POLAND WHO WILL RECEIVE THE ASHES. THE FUNERAL HOME SHOULD OBTAIN FROM THE CONSULATE THE SPECIFICATIONS REGARDING THE SEALING OF THE CONTAINER CONTAINING THE ASHES.

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3. MRS. SOBOLEWSKI TELLS ME THAT SHE INTENDS TO COME TO WARSAW ON/ABOUT JULY 18, TO BE HERE TO RECEIVE THE ASHES HERSELF. LUFTHANSA, FOR WHICH GEORGE WORKED, WILL HANDLE THE SHIPMENT. MR. SIENIAWSKI, OF THE LUFTHANSA WARSAW OFFICE, HAS BEEN INFORMED AND HAS SAID THAT THE OFFICE HERE WILL DO EVERYTHING TO HELP--AS, NEEDLESS TO SAY, WILL THE EMBASSY.

4. MRS. SOBOLEWSKI SHOULD ALSO GIVE YOU THE INFORMATION REQUIRED PER PARA 2. IF YOU WILL TRANSMIT THAT INFORMATION TO THE EMBASSY BY TELEGRAM, WE WILL GET IN TOUCH WITH BIURO OPIEKI NAD GROBAMI OBCORKAJOWCOW, THE POLISH INSTITUTION WHICH MUST ISSUE THE PERMIT FOR THE INTRODUCTION OF THE ASHES INTO POLAND, AND WILL FACILITATE THE ISSUANCE OF THE PERMIT FROM HERE. WE WILL ALSO HANDLE THE PAYMENT OF THE FEES (\$10.00 FOR THE PERMIT) AND MRS. SOBOLEWSKI CAN SETTLE WITH US WHEN SHE IS IN WARSAW.
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